

ITALIANS WON BIG VICTORY NEAR GORIZIA

Broke Through Austro-Hungarian Line and Captured Thousands of Prisoners, According to Official Report Given Out by the War Office in Rome To-day

AUSTRIANS SURPRISED AND NONPLUSSED

They Fought Back but Their Counter-Attacks Were Put Down—Italian Victory Was the First Result of the Second Stage of the Great Drive Being Made Toward Trieste

Rome, May 24.—The Italians yesterday broke through the Austro-Hungarian line, capturing more than 9,000 prisoners, is the official statement by the Italian war department to-day. The statement says that the Austro-Hungarians were surprised and nonplussed. They fought back but their counter-attacks were repulsed. Ten tons of bombs were hurled by airplanes during the battle.

MORE REPULSES FOR GERMANS

Counter-Attacks on Vauclerc Plateau Were Put Down by the French, Who Since May 1 Have Taken 8,600 Prisoners There.

Paris, May 24.—German counter-attacks in the region of Vauclerc plateau were repulsed by the French, with heavy losses to the Germans, according to the official war statement. Since May 1 the French have taken 8,600 prisoners in this region.

A FEW PRISONERS

Were Captured by British on the Franco-Belgian Front.

London, May 24.—"We secured a few prisoners during the night, as the result of patrol encounters," says the war office report on the operations on the Franco-Belgian front.

RETURNS \$100,000 FOR FALSE MONEY

Henry E. Huntington of New York Wins Suit When London Firm Admits Charge.

London, May 24.—The action brought by Henry E. Huntington of New York against a London firm of art dealers for the return of \$100,000 paid for an alleged Romney came to a sensational end yesterday morning when the defendants admitted the canvas was not by Romney and agreed to return the \$100,000 with interest and all costs. Since court adjourned Tuesday the original sketch by Humphrey had been discovered, and the defendants agreed that the picture was by that painter. They offered to present it either to the National Portrait gallery of London or to the Metropolitan Museum of Art of New York.

SINN FEINERS DEMAND

That Certain Conditions Be Complied with Concerning Irish Question.

Dublin, May 24.—The Sinn Fein conference to-day unanimously declined to participate in any convention designed to settle the Irish question unless certain conditions are fulfilled.

ARRIVE IN SWITZERLAND.

All Americans in Turkey Are There, Washington Hears.

Washington, D. C., May 24.—The safe arrival in Switzerland of all Americans in Turkey is reported. Consul-General George Norton, his wife and daughter being among the arrivals.

TO CONFER WITH WILSON.

Maj. Gen. Pershing of American Expeditionary Force.

Washington, D. C., May 24.—Maj. Gen. Pershing, who is to command the first American expeditionary force to France, will confer with President Wilson late to-day.

Widow of Prof. Goodrich Dead.

Burlington, May 24.—Mrs. J. E. Goodrich, widow of the late professor of the University of Vermont, died this afternoon.

U. S. WAR VESSELS ARE KEEPING DOWN LOSS BY SUBMARINES

Recognition is Given to the Flotilla in British Waters by Officers of the British Admiralty.

London, May 24.—The sinking of 18 merchantmen of more than 1,600 tons is reported in the weekly shipping statement.

Nine vessels of less than 1,600 tons and three fishing vessels also were sunk. This week's figures of vessels sunk by submarines show that the allied navies are keeping up the good work of the previous fortnight and the American unit, although still a small one, shares the credit for excellent work. Not only are the sinkings being kept at fairly low figures, but the offensive against U-boats also continues to show favorable results. The actual figures in this respect, however, are not known.

The British admiralty this week wears a pleased smile at the mention of the submarine campaign, for the results of the naval work in the past two weeks are regarded as readily indicating an important victory over the Germans. The German naval people throughout the early months of the ruthless U-boat war freely predicted that England would "be on her knees" by June 1, and gloomy pictures were painted of grim famine certain by that date for the people of Great Britain and France.

June 1 is almost here, and German victory in the submarine warfare seems as far distant as ever. There has been a constant improvement in the methods of the allies in opposing and suppressing U-boat activity and these methods have become more and more successful with longer days and finer weather increasing familiarity on the part of the skippers of merchantmen with the methods of naval control. An admiralty official, speaking to the Associated Press, said:

"The American destroyers are playing no small part in the anti-submarine war, and our officers have expressed the greatest enthusiasm at the spirit, enterprise, acumen and quick wittedness with which the American unit has taken up its work. It is the old American doctrine of keeping everlastingly at it."

"The Germans, who at first said they would strip us of our tonnage by June 1, have now advanced the date to October and we are confident that when October comes they will be under the same necessity of advancing the date again."

PERSHING TO BAR NEWSPAPER MEN

General Strongly Opposes Having Them Accompany His Army.

Washington, May 24.—American newspapers and press associations probably will have to depend on the courtesies of the Franco-British governments for representation with "Pershing's 25,000" at the front.

Gen. Pershing, it became known yesterday, is very strongly opposed to any American newspapermen going with him or with his forces.

Secretary Baker is opposed to American newspapermen accompanying the force to Europe, but he has not decided whether they ought to be quartered at the front with Gen. Pershing's troops. The question is being threshed out. If the present plan holds after the force has been at the front several weeks, Gen. Pershing will decide whether American newspapermen from this side should be permitted to join him. Before definite arrangements are made, however, Gen. Pershing, if he desires, can seek advice from French and British military heads.

A high military authority said yesterday, however, that "of course Gen. Pershing could forget to ask such advice."

FUNERAL AT PLAINFIELD.

Services for Mrs. L. M. Johnson Were Held To-day.

Plainfield, May 24.—The funeral of Mary Frances, wife of L. M. Johnson, who died Tuesday morning, was held at 11:30 to-day, Rev. F. Barnaby Leach of Montpelier officiating. The body was taken to Nantucket Island, being accompanied by Dr. Fred Brown of Lebanon, N. H., nephew of the deceased, and by her husband.

Three weeks ago Mrs. Johnson contracted a severe cold, complications arose and she did not have strength to rally. Two years ago she had a severe illness from which she never had fully recovered.

Mary Frances Kull was born in Lebanon, N. H., in January, 1836. She was twice married, her first husband being Dr. E. D. Marsh of Nantucket Island. After his death she came to Plainfield, and 19 years ago married Levi M. Johnson, and had resided in town ever since. Besides her husband, she leaves nephews and nieces. Mrs. Johnson had been active and vigorous. She was a good neighbor and a person of much literary taste. She will be greatly missed by her many friends.

AMERICAN VESSEL SUNK BY TORPEDO

Steamship of 8,000 Tons Lost in Mediterranean—No Name Was Given.

Paris, May 24.—An 8,000-ton American ship, carrying a cargo destined for Switzerland, has been torpedoed and sunk in the Mediterranean, it was announced yesterday.

The name of the vessel was not given.

VOLLEYS FIRED AT GRAVE

After Funeral of Private Mitchell Berner of St. Albans.

St. Albans, May 24.—The funeral of Private Mitchell Berner, member of B company, killed at Richmond during the war, was held this morning at 9 o'clock. The bearers were six members of his company. Sergeant-Bugler LeRoy Bryant of Fort Ethan Allen sounded taps, and three volleys were fired by the firing squad.

BRITISH LOST A TRANSPORT

With Loss of 413 Lives in the Mediterranean Sea

THE TRANSYLVANIA WAS TORPEDOED

Official Announcement Made To-day of Sinking on May 4

London, May 24.—The British transport Transylvania was torpedoed in the Mediterranean sea on May 4, with the loss of 413 lives.

New York, May 24.—The Transylvania was sunk in the Mediterranean sea off the French coast, according to information received here.

The Transylvania's last appearance in American waters was when the Lusitania was torpedoed on May 7, 1915. She was about to sail from New York when Captain Black received the news of the Lusitania's fate. It was then reported that the Transylvania was marked for the same fate.

PASSENGER SHIP WAS TORPEDOED

And 45 Lives Were Lost from the French Liner Sontay, Bound from Saloniki to Marseilles.

Paris, May 24.—It is officially announced that the French liner Sontay, carrying 344 passengers from Saloniki to Marseilles, was torpedoed on April 16, with the loss of 45 lives.

TWO ITALIAN SAILING SHIPS WERE SUNK

But No Italian Steamers Were Lost During the Week Ending May 20.

Rome, via Paris, May 24.—No Italian steamers were sunk during the week ending May 20. Two small sailing ships were lost in the same period.

EMPHATIC DISAPPROVAL

Of Participation By American Socialists in Stockholm Conference.

Washington, D. C., May 24.—Emphatic disapproval of the peace propaganda of European Socialists was expressed yesterday by the American government, which denied passports to American delegates to the Stockholm conference and issued a warning that any American taking part in the negotiations would be liable to heavy punishment.

No formal announcement of purpose was issued, but officials explained that the government's course would have the two-fold effect of discrediting generally any peace moves by unauthorized persons and of condemning in particular the present Socialist agitation, regarded since its inception as inspired by Germany.

In making known the decision not to give passports to the American Socialists designated to take part in the Stockholm conference, Secretary Lansing cited the Logan act of 1799 as defining the punishments which might be expected by any American now in Stockholm or who might go there without a passport and participate in the peace discussions. Under this law unauthorized persons who directly or indirectly treat with foreign agents regarding controversies of the United States may be imprisoned for three years and fined \$5,000.

AMERICAN ENGINEERS ARRIVE IN LONDON

First Detachment Reached There Last Evening Under Command of Major Parsons.

London, May 24.—The first detachment of United States army engineers, under command of Maj. Parsons, arrived in London last evening.

Y. M. C. A. AT FORT ETHAN ALLEN.

Contract Is Let for New Building There, as Well as Elsewhere.

New York, May 24.—Contracts for six new buildings, one of which will be located at Fort Ethan Allen, Vt.; one at Fort Stanish, Boston; two at Newport, R. I.; one at Mineola, N. Y.; and one at Fort Slocum, N. Y., have been awarded by the national war work council of the Young Men's Christian association, it was announced here last night.

In a statement issued yesterday Maj. Gen. J. Franklin Bell, commanding the department of the East, praised the work of the association at army camps.

DONATION OF \$25,000,000

Made By John D. Rockefeller to Rockefeller Foundation.

New York, May 24.—A new donation by John D. Rockefeller of \$25,000,000 to the endowment of the Rockefeller foundation was announced last night by Dr. George E. Vincent, formerly president of the University of Minnesota, who assumed the presidency of the foundation at a meeting of the board of directors yesterday. The new gift increases the resources of the foundation to \$126,765,000.

WIRELESS STATION INSTALLED.

Germans Have Placed One Near Buenos Aires, Despite Press Protest.

Buenos Aires, May 24.—A German wireless station has been installed here and is expected to be in operation in a few days. Some of the newspapers demanded that the use of the plant be forbidden.

ENTERTAINED AT WATERBURY.

Marquis de Lafayette Chapter, D. A. R., Had Fine Meeting.

Waterbury, May 24.—Members of Marquis de Lafayette chapter, D. A. R., were entertained by the local members at the home of Mrs. B. R. Demeritt on Wednesday afternoon, there being a fine attendance. After the business session, many matters of importance being considered, a program was rendered, which consisted of vocal solos by Miss Flora Parcher of the Center. Miss Parcher, who received her training at the New England conservatory, is pleasing many audiences here by the quality of her voice and expression. Her home friends are very hopeful of her future. The playing of the accompaniments for her encores adds much to the wonder of her accomplishments under great difficulties.

The address of the afternoon by Rev. W. L. Boicourt on "The Brighter Side of War" was much appreciated and received many deserved compliments. Although realizing the seriousness of the situation, the speaker brought out what he felt would be some of the glorious results of the liberty war.

For closing numbers, the patriotic songs by Miss Violet Williams, dressed as Columbia, and Raymond Davis as Uncle Sam, were cheered and these young people received a large share of the praise for a pleasant afternoon.

Mrs. F. E. Atkins was the accompanist for Miss Parcher's master Davis; Palmer for Miss Williams, and Mrs. Demeritt introduced the speaker. The refreshments were in charge of Mrs. E. E. Campbell, Mrs. F. L. Knight and Mrs. C. D. Robinson. Assisting were Mrs. C. Warren, Mrs. E. A. Stanley, Mrs. E. H. Whaley and Miss Annie Dorothy Palmer. Other members not before mentioned who served as hostesses were Mrs. Harriett Moody, Mrs. H. C. Whitehill and Mrs. Charles Perry.

Another pleasant feature of the afternoon was the reading of the "Vermont War-Time Rhymes" by the author, Mrs. Frank Hayden of Montpelier.

BROUGHT BACK FROM DEATH.

Mrs. Bessie Stuart of Burlington Nearly Asphyxiated.

Burlington, May 28.—Mrs. Bessie Stuart narrowly escaped asphyxiation by illuminating gas late yesterday afternoon, being found, face down, in the bathroom of her rooming place at 26 Intervale avenue, by Mrs. Eva LaMudge, a neighbor. When found the woman was well under the fumes of the gas and in a short time would have been beyond help. Quick work by Dr. F. W. Hayles, who was called with the police patrol, brought her to consciousness and last night she was reported as being entirely out of danger.

Mrs. Stuart, a woman about 30 years of age, with her husband and child, rooms at the home of A. H. Stewart on Intervale avenue. Mrs. LaMudge was called to the home of Mrs. Davis late yesterday afternoon and on entering the house smelled gas. Mrs. Davis was at a loss to account for the gas. Knowing that Mrs. Stuart was upstairs, the woman called to her and when there was no answer Mrs. LaMudge rushed upstairs. Not finding Mrs. Stuart in her room, the bathroom door was forced and she was found lying unconscious on the floor. The police patrol was called. Dr. Bayles answering the call with the police. Meanwhile, Mrs. Stuart was carried to the first floor of the house. The pulmonologist was also called to the house, but was not used, as the woman was breathing strongly and revived in about an hour.

An investigation of the bathroom showed that Mrs. Stuart had lighted the gas heater used to warm the water for the bath. When she turned it off, she did not turn the cock tightly, a small amount of gas escaping. In the close room she did not notice the fumes.

MORE STOLEN AUTOS FOUND.

Were Brought from Massachusetts to Southern Vermont.

Bellows Falls, May 24.—State's Attorney W. R. Daley and Sheriff C. E. Mann of Brattleboro, Inspector J. H. Reich of the Springfield, Mass., police and a Boston police inspector, came here by automobile yesterday. The visit was a sequence to the arrest of J. H. Patterson at Springfield, Mass., last week. This man confessed to having stolen at least twelve 1917 Ford automobiles. The police claim that he implicated a Westminster repair man.

Yesterday the officers went to Westminster and attempted to locate C. H. Comstock. It is said that Comstock has not been in that town since Sunday. The officers returned here and after spending the afternoon in towns north of Bellows Falls reported they had located four machines which had been stolen in Springfield and Boston.

The cars are in the possession of G. S. Brohen, Fay Whitcomb, A. F. Putnam and E. M. Kimball, who said they bought the machines from Comstock. The police say they are on the trail of several other machines and expect to locate them all.

In his confession to the Springfield police they claim that Patterson explained how the identity of the stolen cars was changed. He said the repair man in Westminster has a set of dies with which he changed the engine numbers and that he also made extensive alterations in the cars.

Patterson said he received \$175 for 1917 Ford runabouts and \$200 for the latest models touring cars. The officers will return here it is expected.

WAS RUTLAND MERCHANT.

Paul W. Coolidge Died of Pneumonia—Was Dartmouth Graduate.

Rutland, May 24.—Paul W. Coolidge, one of Rutland's youngest merchants, died of pneumonia yesterday morning at the home of his father, Probate Judge A. G. Coolidge. Mr. Coolidge was a graduate of Dartmouth college in the class of 1912. For the last 18 months he has been associated with his father in the Paul W. Coolidge company crockery and wall paper business. He was a Mason and a member of the Knights of Pythias fraternity.

Mr. Coolidge was born in this city Dec. 27, 1889, and was married in 1913 to Majory Barton, who survives with two daughters. Four days ago a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge, and Mrs. Coolidge is still in the hospital.

MANY AIRSHIPS KILLED ONE MAN

German Raid on Eastern Countries of England Has Meagre Result

DAMAGE NEGLIGIBLE, SAYS LONDON REPORT

British Aviators Pursued, but the Airships Got Away

London, May 24.—Four or five airships raided the eastern counties of England last night. According to the official statement, they dropped bombs and escaped, though they were pursued. One man was killed in Norfolk village. The damage was negligible.

SMALLPOX CASES IN STATE HOSPITAL AT WATERBURY

Miss Agnes Spellacy, a Nurse, Has Positive Case Although Not Very Ill—Strict Quarantine Imposed.

Waterbury, May 24.—For several days eruptive cases at the Vermont state hospital for the insane have been under observation. Dr. Ladd of the state board of health being Monday and both Drs. Ladd and Dalton yesterday, when one case was pronounced smallpox and two others probably so. The positive case is Miss Agnes Spellacy, one of the nurses, and Miss Vera Ballou, another nurse, has a suspicious case.

The cases are isolated on a ward and all nurses and those in any way caring for them are by themselves. The entire hospital is also under a strict quarantine. All are confined to the grounds and no visitors will be allowed.

The cases are easily traced to the Essex Junction case, as one of the nurses at the hospital was on the train with her and is thought now to have had the disease. The cases are very light, in fact, the patients do not feel like remaining in bed, although they are asked to do so. The cases developed peculiarly. There will be a general vaccination and all possible precautions taken. Little anxiety is felt in town over the matter, as Supt. Wasson and his assistants are advising the state board of health in every way, and there needs to be very little contact between the hospital and the village. The quarantine at the hospital will, of course, remain until conditions are changed.

DEATH OF LOUIS CASSI.

He Was Well Known Figure in Barre Italian Colony.

Louis Cassi, formerly one of the best known figures in the Italian colony of Barre, died at his home on Addison place last evening at 8:30 o'clock. Mr. Cassi had been in declining health for some time, the end being due to a complication of diseases. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Angela Cassi, and two daughters, Misses Leontina and Louise Cassi, both of Barre. The deceased was born in Saltrio, Italy, 51 years ago and came to America in his youth. He was a granite cutter by trade and having worked in Hallowell, Me., for two years, he came to Barre in 1891. At once he became prominent in the councils of his fellow workmen and he remained prominent in the labor movement for many years. As an exponent of Italian oratory he was highly regarded by many and his eloquence is well remembered.

The funeral will be held at the house Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock and interment will be made at Hope cemetery. It was a request of the deceased that flowers be omitted at his funeral.

FUNERAL OF IRA C. CALEF

Was Simple in Form, Much in Keeping With the Life of the Man.

The funeral of the late Ira C. Calef, financier and philanthropist, who died at his home in Washington on Monday at the age of 80 years, was held from his residence in that city yesterday afternoon. The services, which were largely attended by townspeople, relatives and friends, including representatives from various organizations and institutions in Barre, were simple in form, much in keeping with the life of the man. Rev. Paul Weller, pastor of the Universalist church in Washington, was the officiating clergyman. He spoke briefly but appreciatively of the life of the man.

In accordance with the wishes of the family, flowers were omitted, except for some placed which were provided by the family or by the institutions in Barre with which Mr. Calef had been connected in one way or another. The bearers were M. O. Calef, Herbert C. Calef, Duane White, F. T. Calef, J. K. Fenner and C. R. Allen. Interment was in the Washington village cemetery.

GOV. GRAHAM REQUESTS MORE REVERENCE ON MEMORIAL DAY

Will my fellow citizens join in a more reverent observance of Memorial day? We have a special reason this year for honoring our veteran soldiers and the memory of their comrades. Let us use this opportunity.

Committees of public safety may aid in a fitting observance of the day in their communities. Citizens of many states will pause for one minute at 12 o'clock noon on Memorial day and devote their thoughts to its significance and the traditions its perpetuates. I request that for this one minute all loyal Vermonters stand in silence, uncover and salute the flag.

Horace F. Graham, Governor.

HAYDEN—CHURCHILL.

Spaulding High School Graduate Bride of Former Barre Man.

A pretty wedding was celebrated at the home of Richard E. Churchill in Berlin Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock, when his younger daughter, Miss Mildred Mary Churchill, and Earle Crawford Hayden were married by Rev. B. J. Lehigh, pastor of the First Baptist church in this city. The ceremony was performed under an arch of evergreen and marigolds. The couple were unattended and only the immediate members of the two families were present. The bride wore a brown traveling suit and a black picture hat and carried a bouquet of pink and white roses. After the ceremony refreshments of sherbet and cake were served. The wedding cake was made by Mrs. Dean Bancroft of Berlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayden left later in the afternoon on a short wedding trip through northern New York and they will be at home, Hillcrest farm, in Berlin, after July 1.

The bride is a graduate of Spaulding high school, where she finished the course in 1913, and for the past three years she has kept house for her father at the Churchill home in Berlin. Mr. Hayden is the son of Mrs. Fred Hayden, formerly of Barre. He attended Spaulding high school and later was graduated from Norwich university at Northfield. After completing his college course he engaged as a civil engineer in the West, returning to Vermont a year ago to purchase the Hillcrest farm. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hayden have a host of friends in Barre and Berlin and they received many beautiful gifts.

STIMSON—SULLIVAN.

Roxbury People United in Marriage in Barre.

At the parsonage of the First Baptist church on Franklin street last evening Miss Elizabeth J. Sullivan and Harold E. Stimson, both of Roxbury, were married by the pastor, Rev. Bert J. Lehigh. The ceremony took place at 6 o'clock, bride and groom being unattended. The single ring service was used. Mr. and Mrs. Stimson are to make their home in Roxbury.

TO HOLD CONFERENCE.

Traction Company and Montpelier City Council on Franchise.

Having been advised through a communication signed by H. T. Sands, vice-president of the Barre & Montpelier Traction company, that certain features of the proposed franchise as framed by the officials of the municipalities are objectionable to the company, the Montpelier city council at the regular meeting last evening decided to have the corporation officers appear and explain the objectionable features. The letter of Mr. Sands was brief, and at the close he requested that the city officials and company officers meet and discuss the points of the franchise which do meet with the company's approval, explaining that the points were not numerous.

The committee appointed to investigate the matter of restricting the sale of fire works on the Fourth of July reported to the council that crackers not more than five inches in length or three-quarters of an inch in diameter be allowed to be placed on sale, but the sale of blank cartridges and skyrockets be prohibited, and nothing be sold before July 4 at 4 a. m. The report was adopted, but the council did not reach any definite conclusion as to the proper restrictions to make it a quiet, safe and sane Fourth. The council devoted considerable time to the discussion of sidewalks, bridges and other routine business and on recommendation of the license committee refused to grant auto hack licenses to C. W. Orcutt and Paul Plested.

PETITIONER MUST PAY.

William Close Loses in Suit Brought by His Wife, Irene Close.

Judge Stanley C. Wilson in Washington county court this forenoon issued an order in the case of Irene Close vs. William Close, petition for divorce, that the petitioner pay the attorney for the petitioner \$50 suit money, half to be paid on or before July 1 and the remainder by Sept. 1. A hearing was held this forenoon. Attorney J. W. Gordon representing the petitioner and Fred L. Laird the petitioner.

An entry of settled and discontinued was made in the case of E. C. Getchell vs. Vermont Mutual Fire Insurance Co., action on an insurance policy. Hoar and A. C. Theriault represented the plaintiff and F. L. Laird the defendant.

In the case of J. W. Bates et al. vs. Estate of J. W. McDonald, D. W. McDonald and James Mackay, exrs., an appeal from probate commissioner, an entry of settled as per stipulation was made to probate court was made.

Ten days was given by the court for the filing of exceptions in the case of Elmer R. Clark vs. the City of Montpelier, a road case.

The replevin case of E. L. Smith & Co. vs. C. A. Barton and H. J. Slayton was taken up after disposal of the divorce case. S. H. Jackson appears for Smith & company, and Davis for Slayton. A. C. Theriault is trustee for the Barton estate.

GETTING READY FOR DRAFT.

Mayor Glysson Awaits Final Plans from County Clerk.

Toward disposing the machinery to be used in Barre on registration day, June 5, Mayor Glysson has taken the initial steps, but arrangements of the details rests with County Clerk L. C. Moody, who is to submit to the towns and cities of the county next Monday a plan for carrying out the requirements of the selective draft law. Registration blanks have been received at the office of the city clerk, but they are not to be issued, either to persons indisposed or to absentees, until final instructions are received from the county clerk. It is assumed that the mayor is to be assisted in organizing the registration staff by the city clerk and the city health officer.

Although a definite arrangement of the "modus operandi" waits upon the county clerk, it is presumed that all six polling places in Barre will be used for the registration. Ward officers may volunteer their services, but service on June 5 is not compulsory and the mayor may choose the men who are to serve as marshals in the mercantile trade. His assistants. Probably four men will be required at each place of registration.

BIG MAJORITY FOR WAR BILL

Passed House by a Vote of 329 to 320, Without Change

ALL OPPOSITION BY REPUBLICANS

Virtual Redrafting of Bill in the Senate Is Expected

Washington, D. C., May 24.—The war revenue bill, framed to bring into the treasury \$1,800,000,000 through new taxation during the coming year, passed the House by a vote of 329 to 76 late yesterday in almost the same form that it was presented by the ways and means committee two weeks ago.

All the opposing votes were cast by Republicans, although there are many members on the Democratic side strongly opposed to certain sections of the measure. Virtual redrafting of the bill in the Senate is regarded as certain. Material changes already are contemplated by the Senate finance committee, as a result of public hearings held during the long debate in the House. Final passage of the bill probably cannot be accomplished in less than a month.

Outstanding features of the bill are the greatly increased income, inheritance, excess profits, liquor and cigar and tobacco taxes, virtual abolition of the present customs free list, and a 10 per cent. addition to existing tariffs, higher taxes on manufactures, amusements, clubs, public utilities, and insurance, far-reaching stamp tax and a greatly increased second-class mail matter rate, based on the parcel post zone system.

In only four particulars does the measure now differ substantially from the original draft. Surtaxes on incomes above \$10,000 have been increased about one-fourth above the committee schedule. Several articles, including print paper and pulp and gold and silver, slated for a ten per cent. duty, have been kept on the free list. Slight reductions in the second-class mail matter rate have been made. A proposed five per cent. tax on all advertising except newspaper and periodicals is eliminated.

Attacks on the bill in the Senate will center around the excess profits, income and manufacturers' taxes, and the second-class mail rate increase sections. Business men generally are protesting vigorously against the taxes and virtually every publisher in the country is opposing the drastically increased mail rate.

In a final effort to summon all of his party votes to support of the measure, Democratic Leader Kitchin declared that he had been informed personally by President Wilson yesterday that he did not desire changes in the bill in the Senate, as had been currently reported. Mr. Kitchin also appealed earnestly to